

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **S. 180**

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TO:	The Honorable Glenn McConnell, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee		
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SUBJECT:	Safety Belts		

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

Minimal (Some additional costs expected but can be absorbed)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 180 amends Section 56-5-6540 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by providing that a violation of any safety belt provision is admissible as evidence, in a civil case before the court, in order to establish negligence.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

The Judicial Department indicates this Bill will have a minimal impact on the General Fund of the State, which can be absorbed by the agency at the current level of funding.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

Approved by:



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